



*Executive Department
State of Idaho*

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

*State Capitol
Boise*

WHEREAS, citizens of Idaho recognize the vital role that swimming and aquatic-related activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Idaho understand the essential role that education regarding the topic of Water Safety plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is aware of the contributions made by the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities providing healthy places to recreate, learn and grow, build self-esteem, confidence and sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Idaho recognize the ongoing efforts and commitments to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and park industries; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Idaho understand the vital importance of communicating Water Safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim May 2013 to be

NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 13th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-third.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. Butch Otter", is written over a horizontal line.

**C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR**

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Ysursa", is written over a horizontal line.

**BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE**